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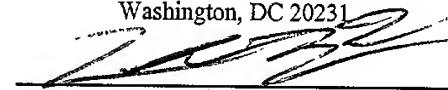
Title: INSTRUMENTATION
 SYSTEM INCLUDING A
 BACKPLANE HAVING A
 SWITCHED FABRIC BUS
 AND INSTRUMENTATION
 LINES

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Application Elements1. Filing Fee

The filing fee is calculated as shown below.

Total Claims	39	-20=	19	x \$18.00=	\$342.00
Independent Claims	2	-3 =		x \$84.00=	
Multiple Dependent Claims				Fee:	
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				Assignment Fee	\$40.00
				Total:	\$1,122.00

 Fee authorizations in the amount of \$1,122.00 are enclosed.

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2. Specification

23 page(s) of specification; 9 page(s) of claims, 1 page(s) of abstract

3. Drawings

Formal Figure(s) 1-7 on 7 sheet(s)

4. Oath or Declaration Newly executed Copy from a prior application (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))

Deletion of Inventor(s) (in continuation or divisional applications):

 Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application: The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a signed sheet attached hereto.5. The entire disclosure of the prior application referred to above is considered to be part of the
 accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
 Computer Readable copy
 Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
 Statement verifying identity of above copies

8. Assignment Papers

9. Power of Attorney
 Is attached.
 The power of attorney appears in the original papers of the prior application.
 Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

10. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 Copies of IDS Citations

11. Amendments
 A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
 Cancel in this application claim(s) _____ before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
 Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: _____.

12. Return Receipt Postcard

13. Small Entity Status
 A small entity statement is enclosed.
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 Is no longer claimed.

14. Priority of foreign application number _____, filed on _____ in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d)

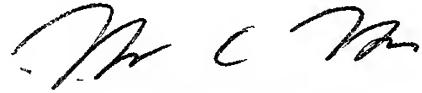
15. Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 136 for Extension of Time

16. Other: _____

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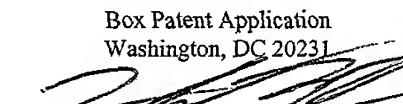
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